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For: OPTICAL DEVICE FOR EMITTING A LASER LIGHT BEAM, OPTICAL READER  
COMPRISING SAID DEVICE AND PROTECTIVE/INSULATING PACKAGE FOR A  
LIGHT BEAM EMISSION SOURCE

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination,  
please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 5, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 6, line 1, change "any one of the previous claims" to --claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 1, delete "or 8".

Claim 10, line 1, change "any one of the previous claims" to --claim 1--.

Claim 15, line 1, change "any one of the previous claims" to --claim 1--.

Claim 20, line 1, delete "or 19".

Claim 21, line 1, change "any one of claims from 18 to 20" to --claim 18--.

Claim 25, line 1, change "any one of claims from 18 to 24" to --claim 18--.

Claim 28, line 1, delete "or 27".

Claim 29, line 1, change "any one of claims from 18 to 28" to --claim 18--.

Claim 34, line 1, change "any one of claims from 18 to 33" to --claim 18--.

Claim 35, line 1, change "any one of claims from 18 to 34" to --claim 18--.

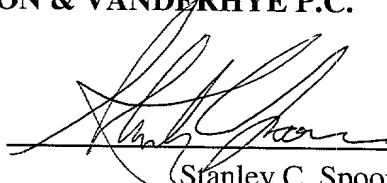
### **REMARKS**

The above amendments are made to place the claims in a more traditional format.

Respectfully submitted,

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